FANTASY SKETCH

THE GAME

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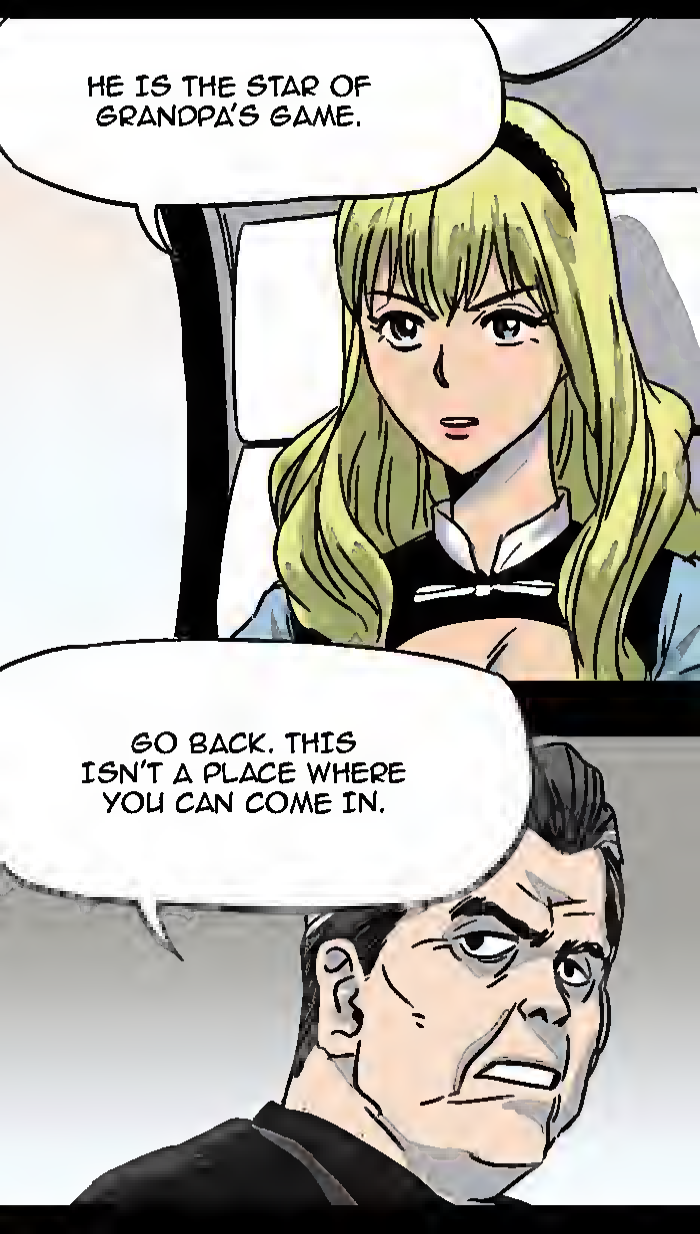
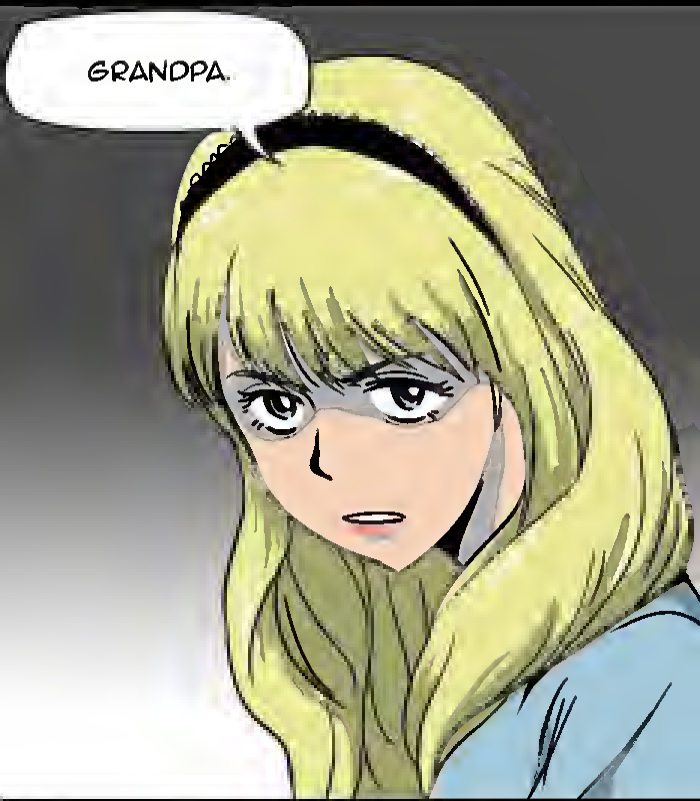
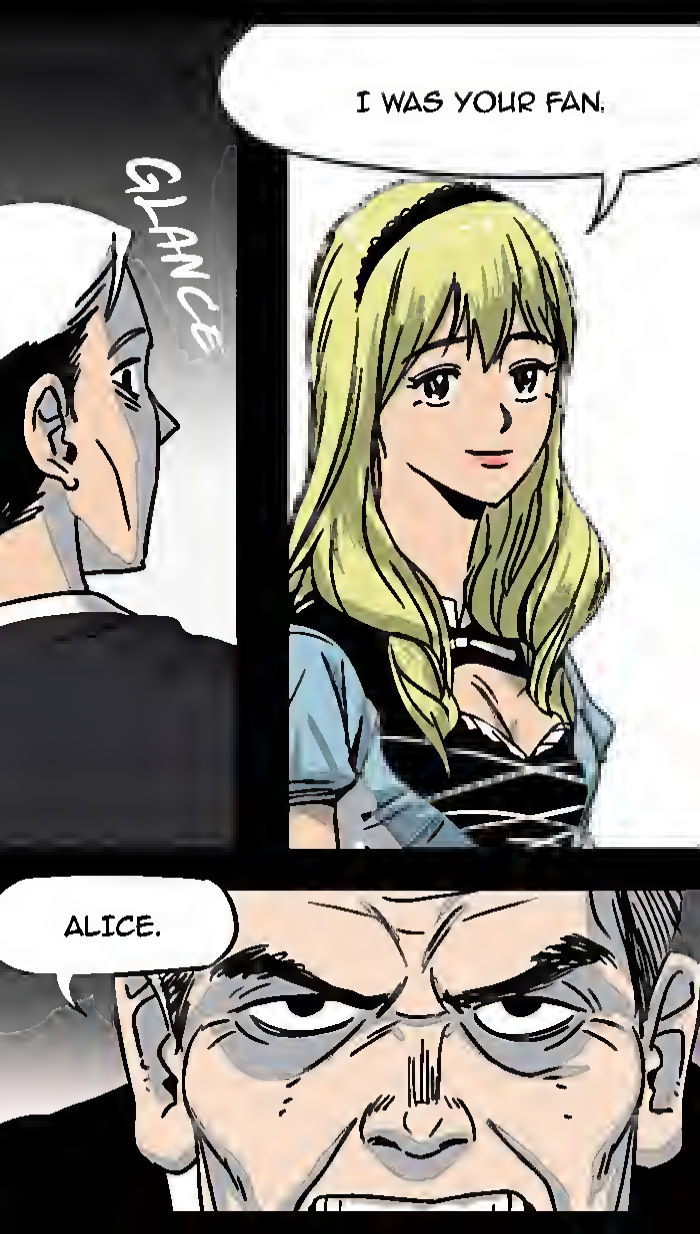
I.. I AM...
PROFESSIONAL GAMER JOHAN ADAM.


HE IS THE STAR OF GRANDPA'S GAME.
GO BACK. THIS ISN'T A PLACE WHERE YOU CAN COME IN.

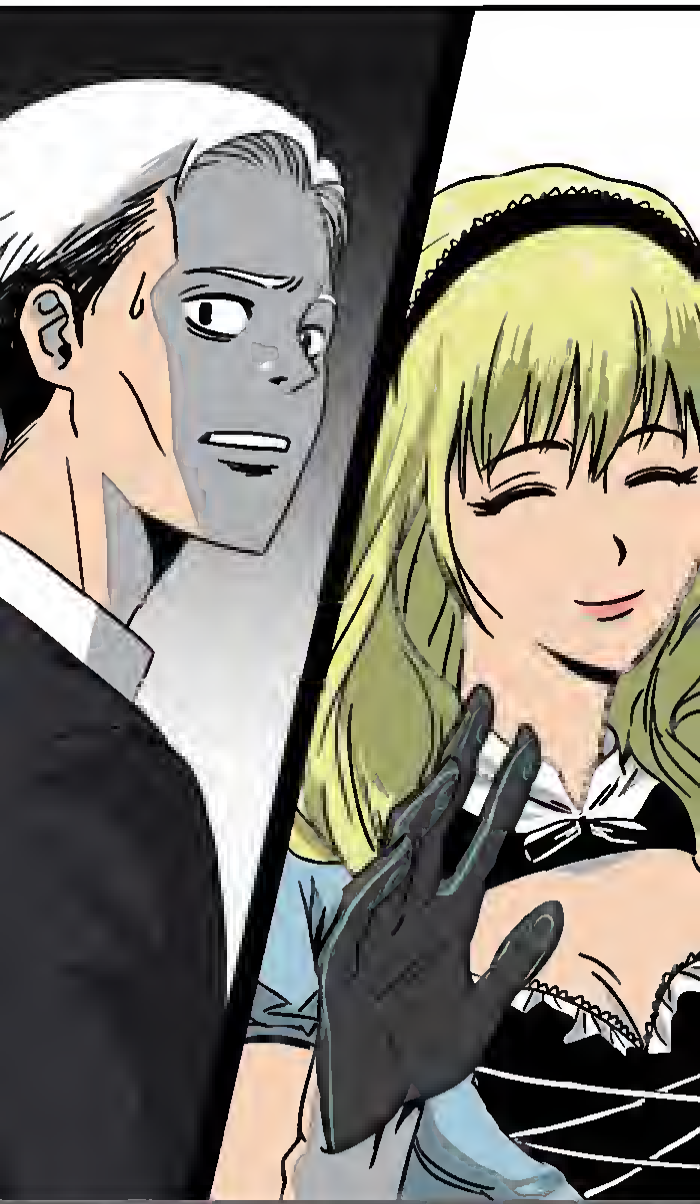

GRANDPA.

ALICE, YOU.


I WAS YOUR FAN.
GLANCE
ALICE.

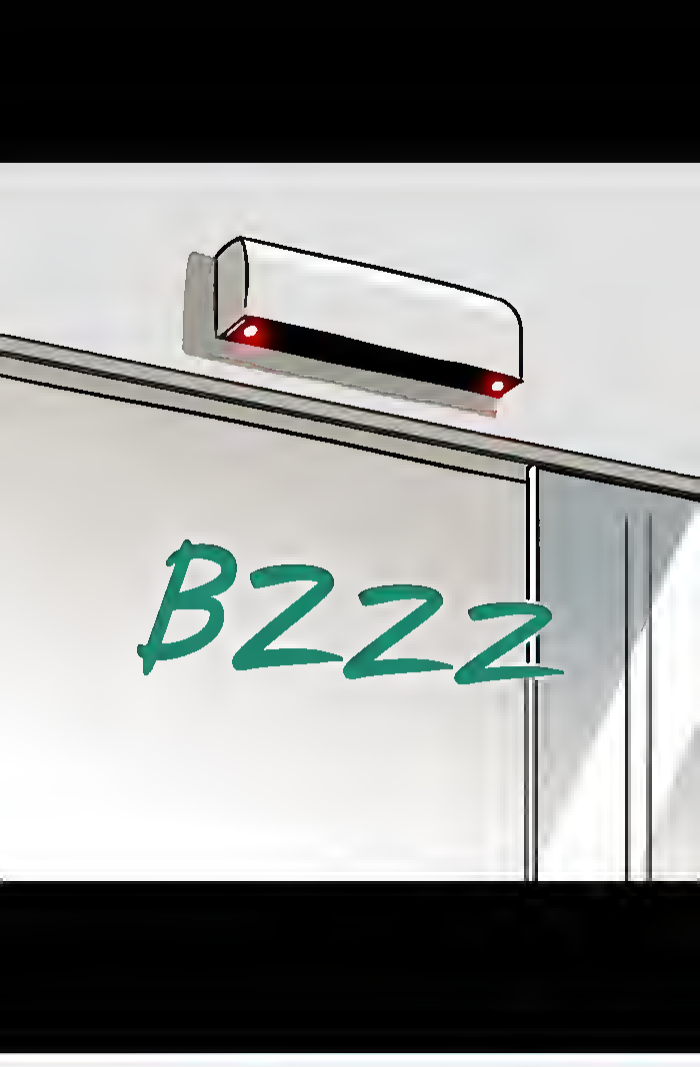
I AM STILL YOUR FAN, JOHAN ADAM!

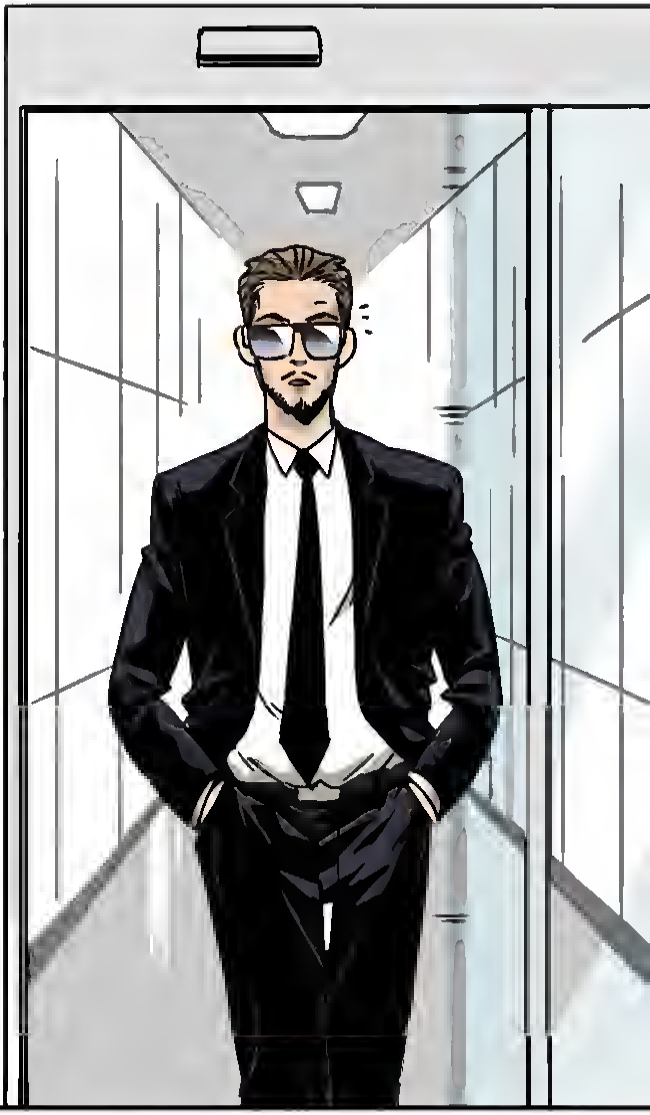
ALICE!!



SECOND SKETCH

THE PLAYER VIII


BZZZ



WHAT'S GOING ON? COMING TO THE OFFICE WHEN YOU DON'T HAVE A GAME SCHEDULED.
PLOP
ARE YOU TRYING TO GO BACK TO YOUR ROOTS?

I LEFT SOMETHING HERE.

NO WAY. YOU WERE HERE THE WHOLE DAY YESTERDAY TOO!
WHAT'S GOING ON?
HA HA HA

WHAT HAPPENED TO THE BIG EVENT THAT YOU MENTIONED A FEW DAYS AGO?
I KEEP THINKING ABOUT IT...

HMM..
IT'S BEEN DELAYED A LITTLE.
THERE WAS AN UNKNOWN
VARIABLE...

THEN IS IT GOING TO STAY THIS WAY FOR A WHILE?

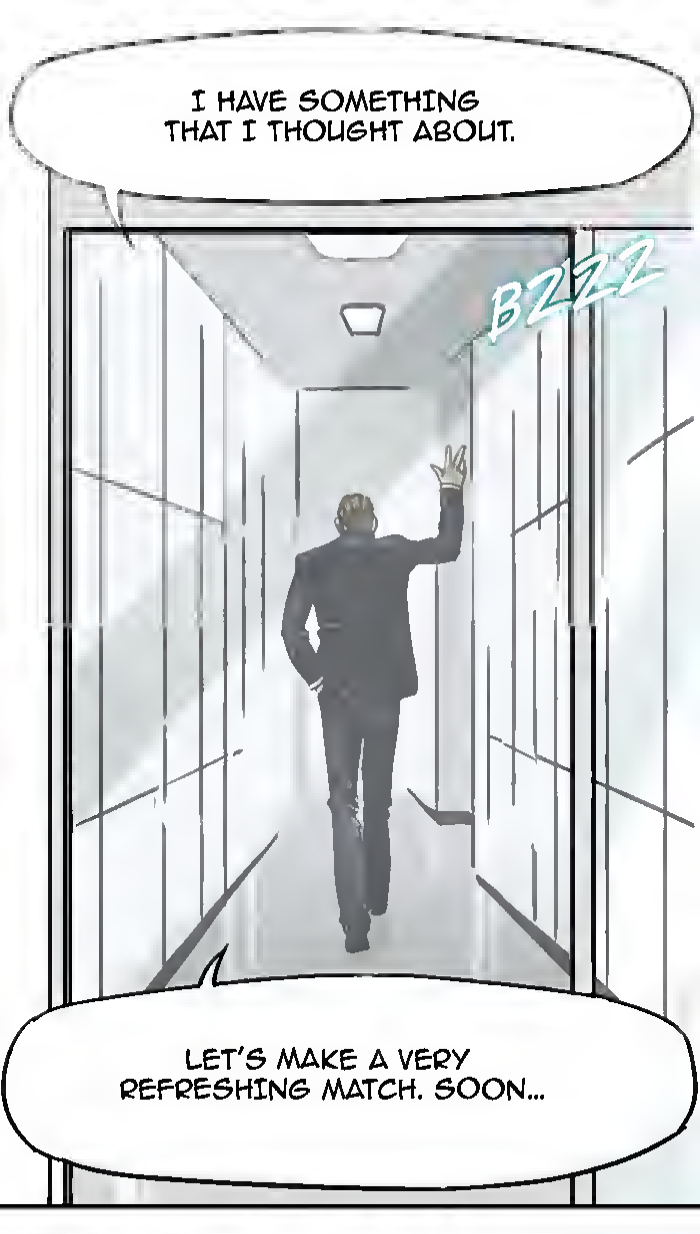
YEAH. EVEN THOUGH TALENT IS THE ONLY THING NEEDED TO PLAY, THERE IS NO WAY OF PRACTICING FOR THIS GAME.

ACTUAL
ENCOUNTER IS PRACTICE.
IF THERE ARE NO CHALLENGERS...
I WILL GET DULL.

I SEE. EVEN THE POPE NEEDS SOME MATCHES TO KEEP HIS SENSES WORKING. ESPECIALLY...

TO ENCOUNTER A DANGER
THAT IS COMING FORTH.

OK! IF THERE ARE NO CHALLENGERS, LET'S CREATE AN UNOFFICIAL GAME TO MAKE SOMETHING COOL.

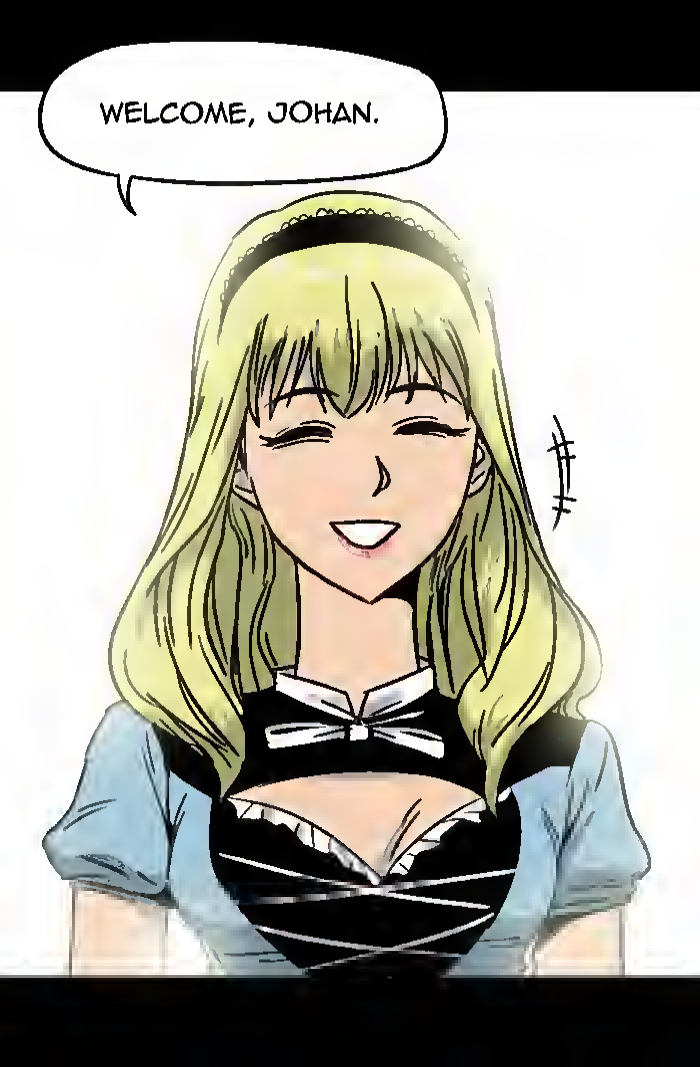

I HAVE SOMETHING THAT I THOUGHT ABOUT.
BZZZ
LET'S MAKE A VERY REFRESHING MATCH. SOON...

YOU ARE A GOOD LIAR, JOHAN ADAM.

IT WAS JUST THAT DOOR
DIDN'T OPEN ALL DAY YESTERDAY.

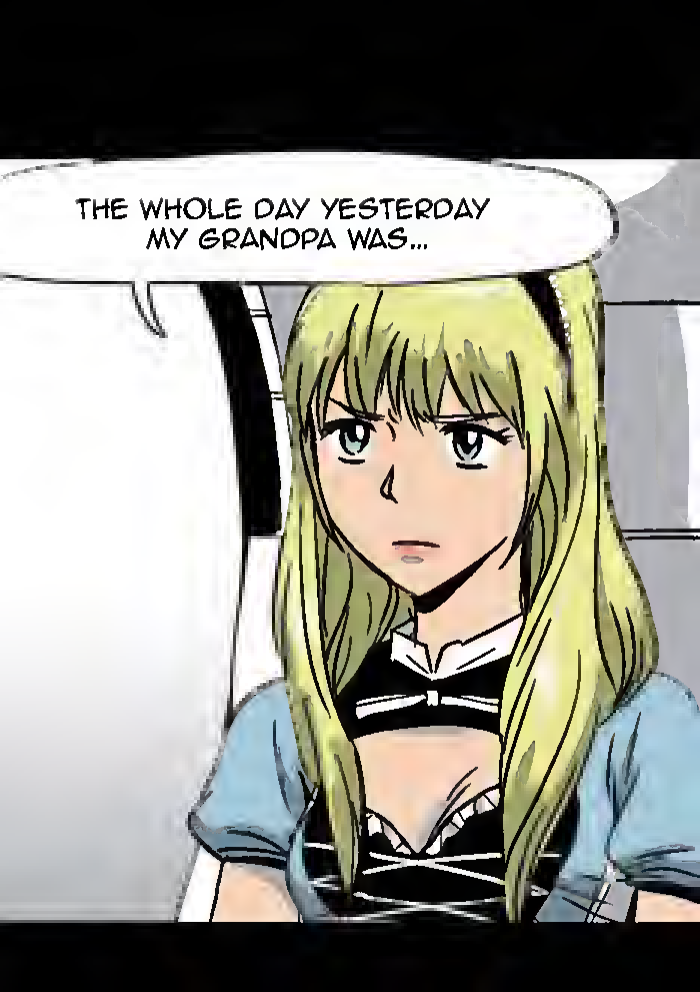
BZZ

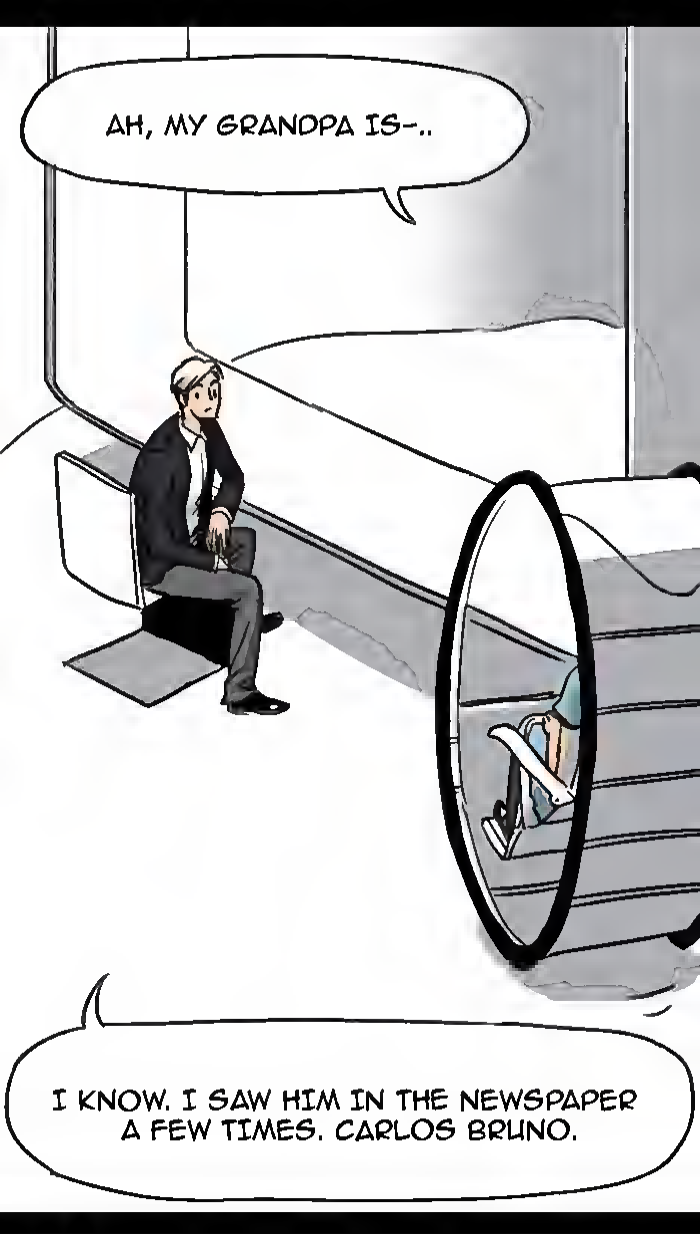
ALICE!


WELCOME, JOHAN.

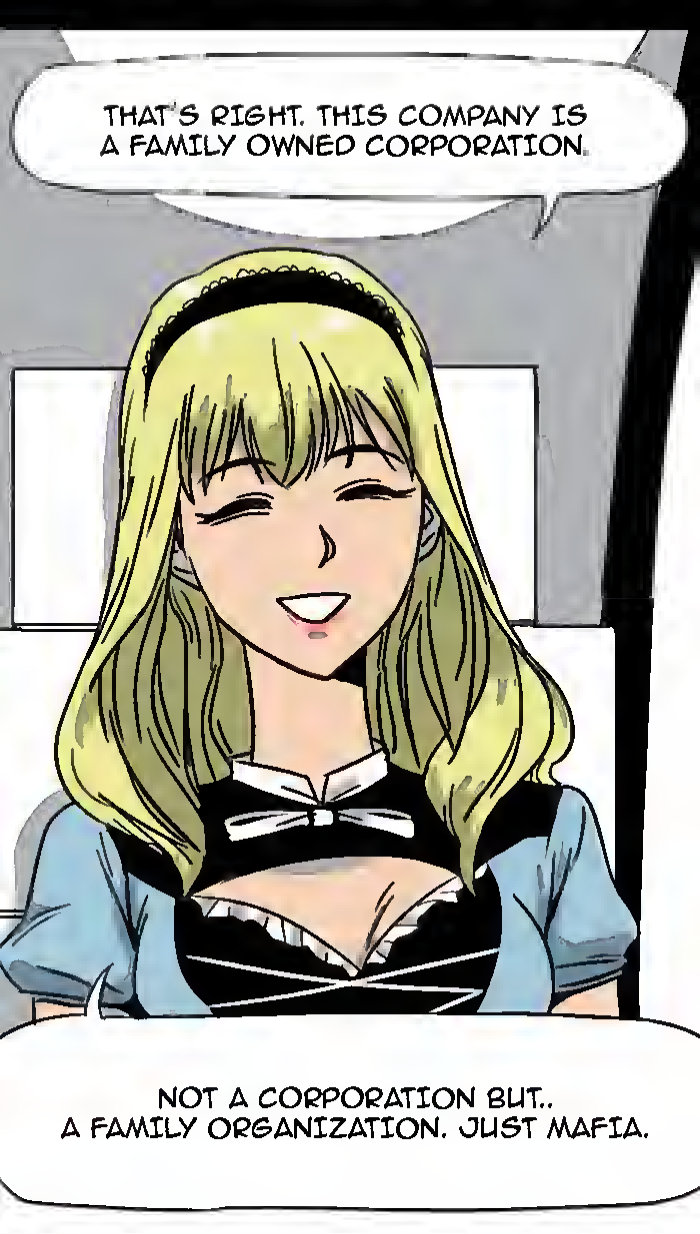
THANKS FOR COMING.

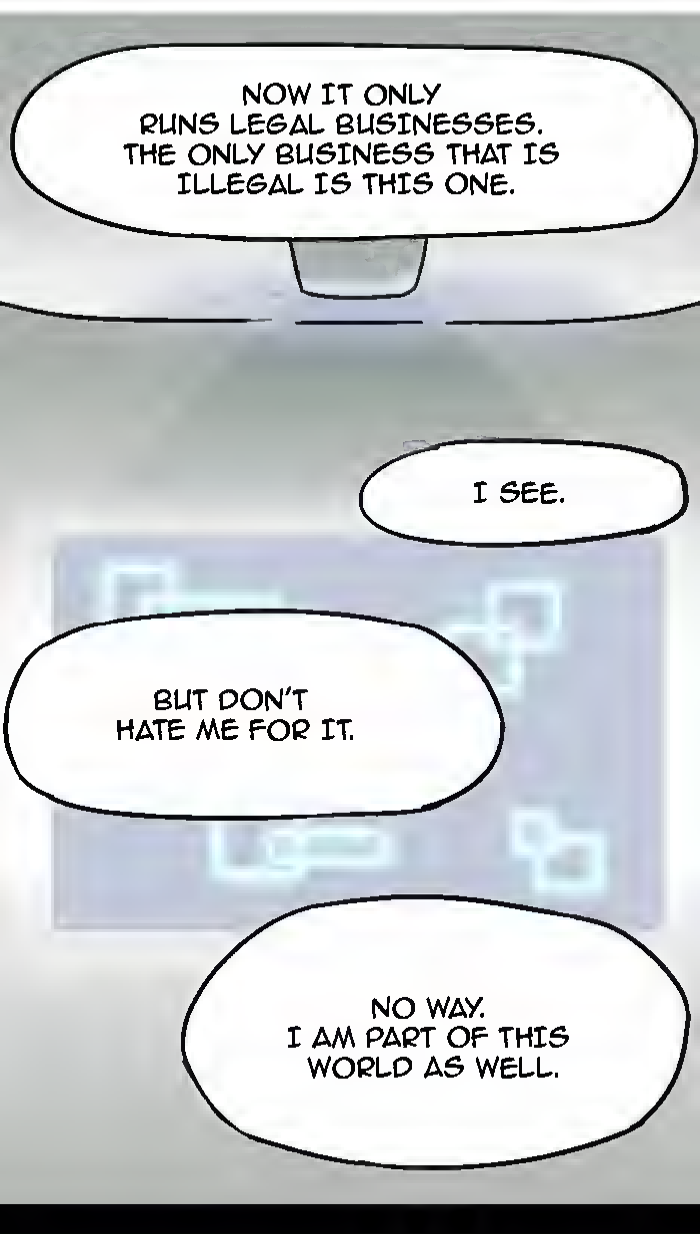
I WAS HERE YESTERDAY AS WELL.


THE WHOLE DAY YESTERDAY
MY GRANDPA WAS...


AH, MY GRANDPA IS-..
I KNOW. I SAW HIM IN THE NEWSPAPER A FEW TIMES. CARLOS BRUNO.

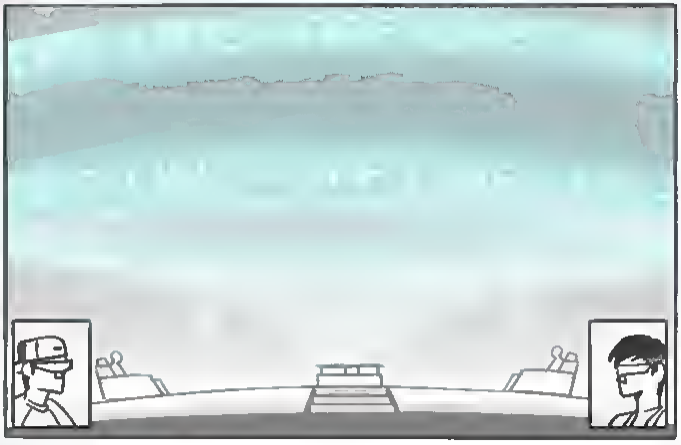
HUH? BRUNO...?


THAT'S RIGHT. THIS COMPANY IS A FAMILY OWNED CORPORATION.
NOT A CORPORATION BUT.. A FAMILY ORGANIZATION. JUST MAFIA.


NOW IT ONLY
RUNS LEGAL BUSINESSES.
THE ONLY BUSINESS THAT IS
ILLEGAL IS THIS ONE.
I SEE.
BUT DON'T
HATE ME FOR IT.
NO WAY.
I AM PART OF THIS
WORLD AS WELL.

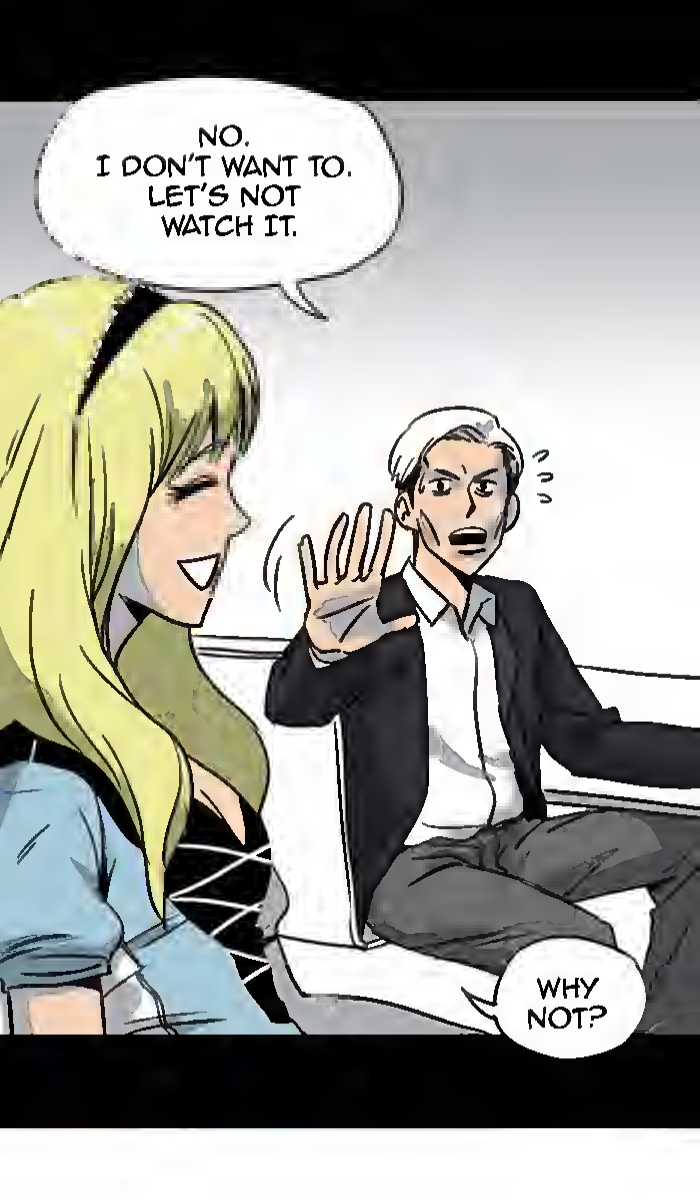
SHOULD WE WATCH THE MATCH?
TAP
TAP TAP
A MATCH?

YOU CAN SEE
THE MATCH FROM HERE?



OF COURSE.
ANYTHING IS POSSIBLE HERE.
I SAW ALL OF YOUR GAMES TOO.

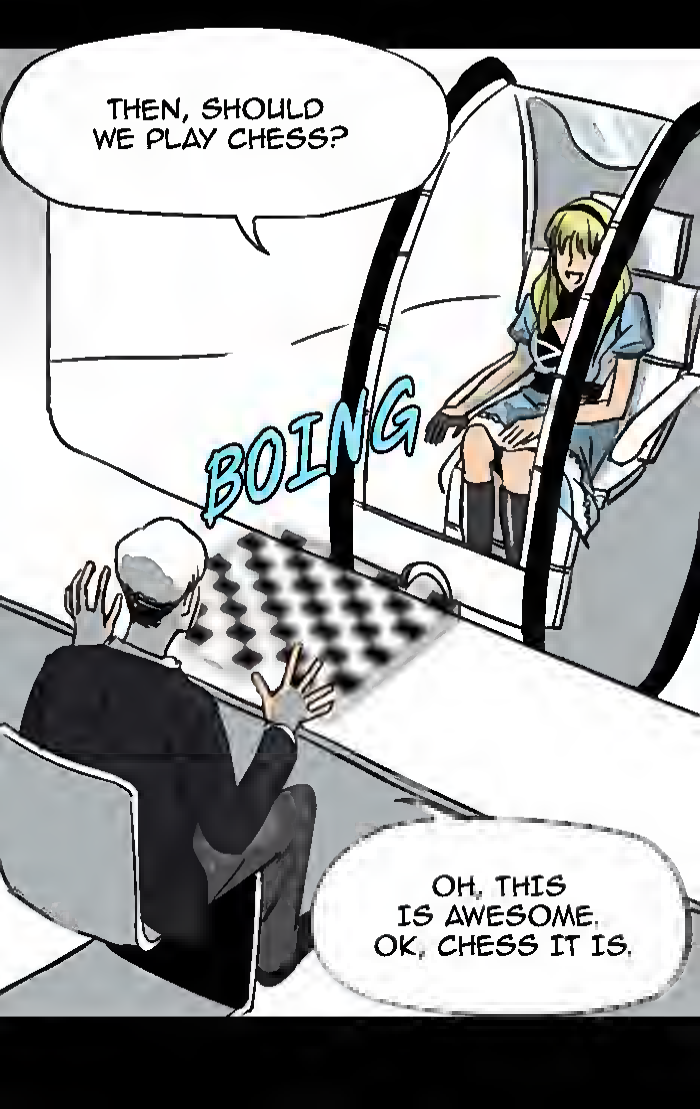
WHO'S
PLAYING TODAY..?

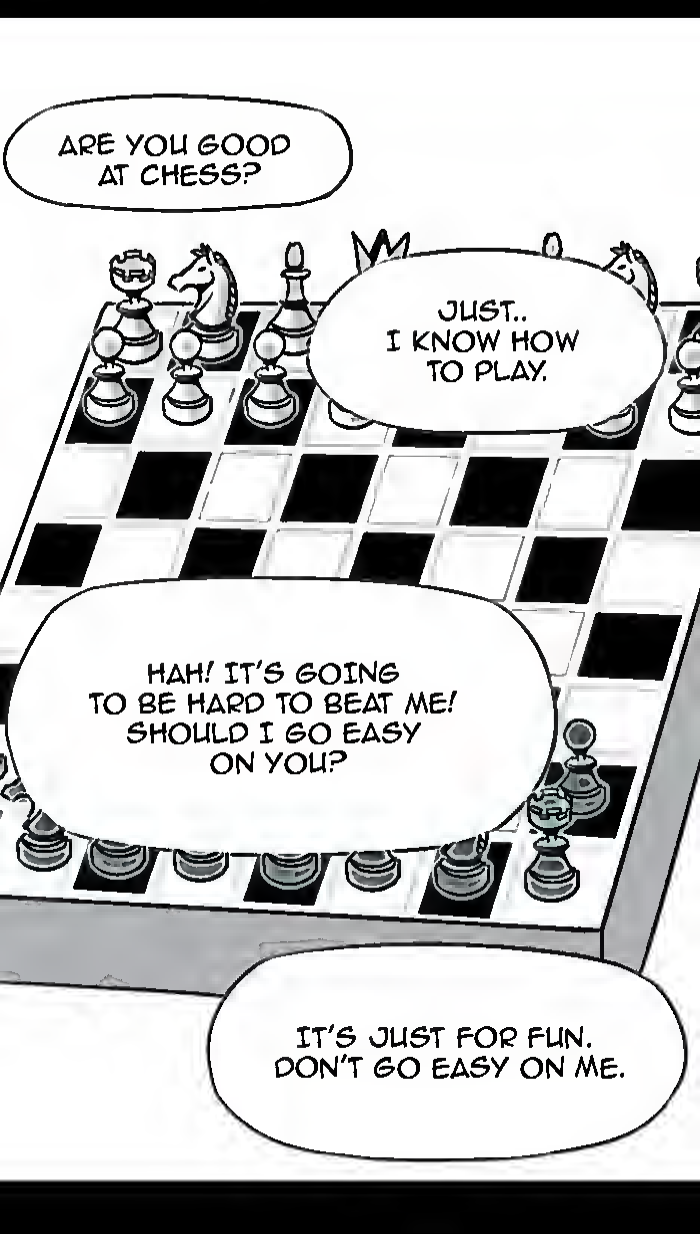

NO.
I DON'T WANT TO.
LET'S NOT
WATCH IT.
WHY
NOT?

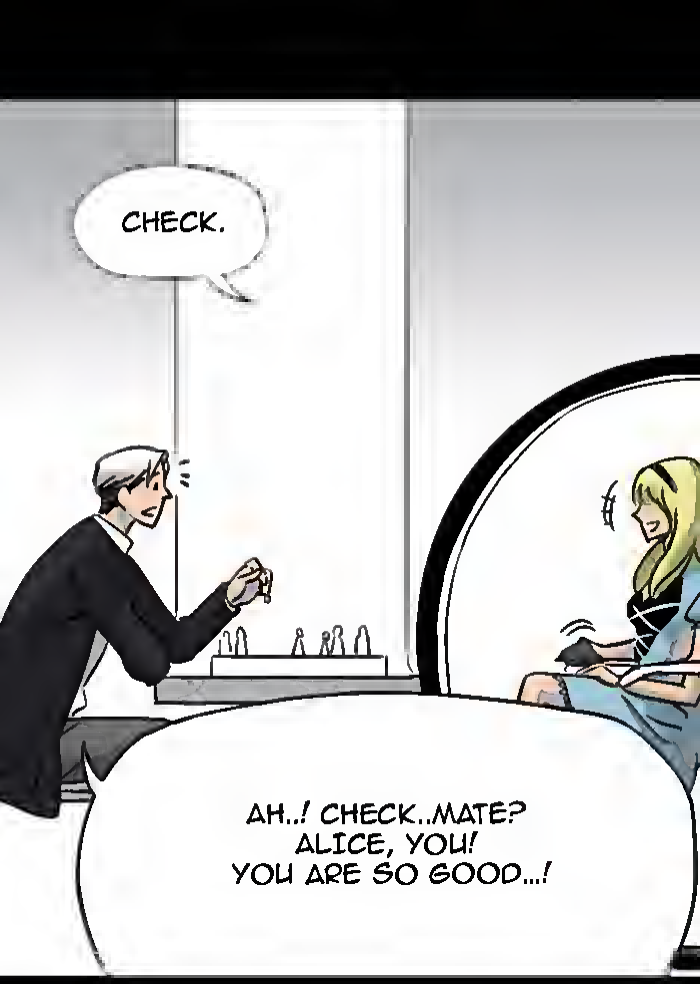
THIS IS WORK FOR ME.
I DON'T WANT TO SPEND MY TIME WITH YOU DOING WORK...

OK. IF YOU DON'T WANT TO.
BUT THIS IS THE MOST EXCITING THING FOR ME SO LET'S WATCH IT TOGETHER SOMEDAY.

OK. THANKS.

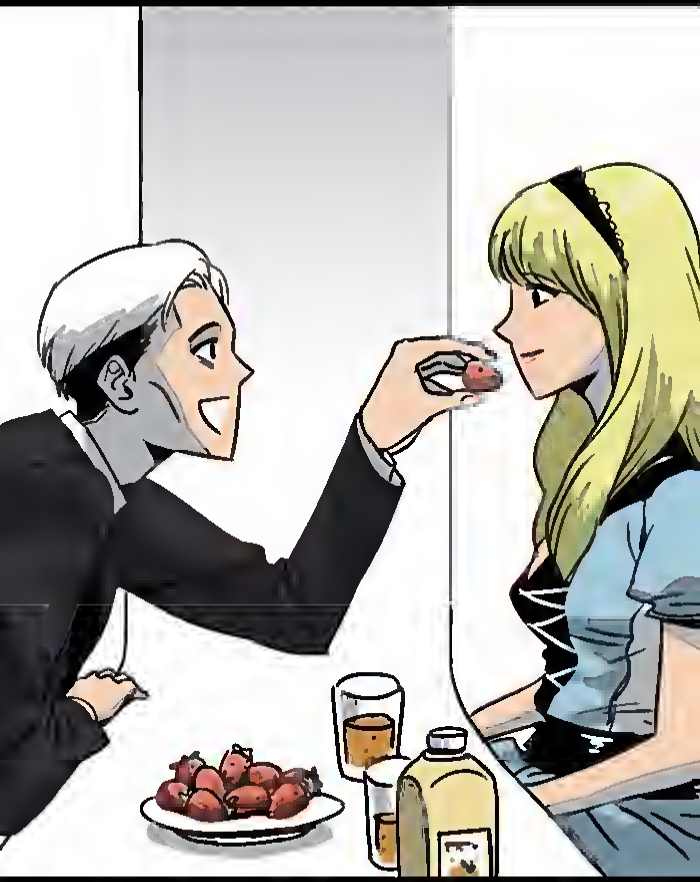

THEN, SHOULD WE PLAY CHESS?
BOING
OH, THIS IS AWESOME. OK, CHESS IT IS.


ARE YOU GOOD AT CHESS?
JUST.. I KNOW HOW TO PLAY.
HAH! IT'S GOING TO BE HARD TO BEAT ME! SHOULD I GO EASY ON YOU?
IT'S JUST FOR FUN. DON'T GO EASY ON ME.



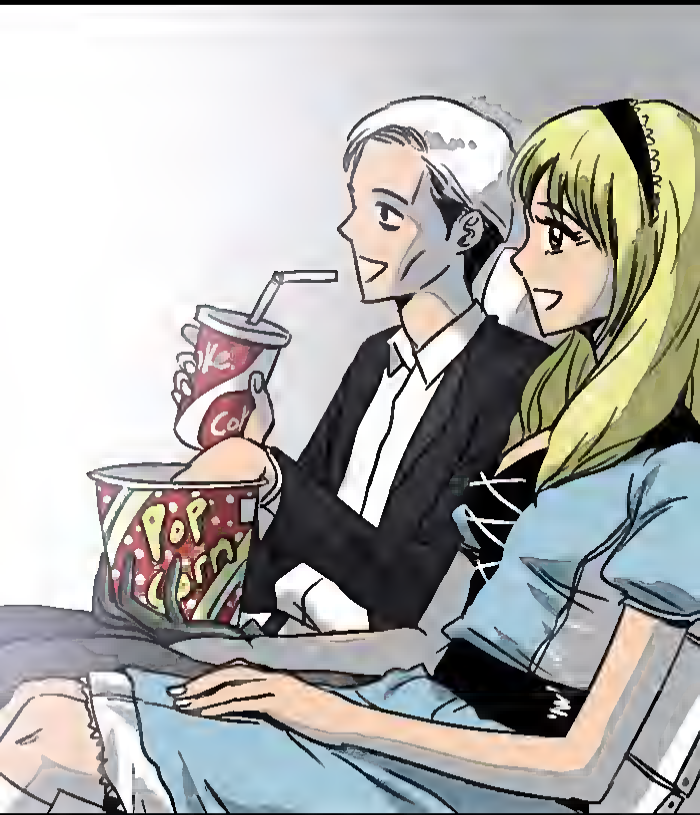
CHECK MATE.

I DIDN'T HAVE ANYWHERE TO GO.



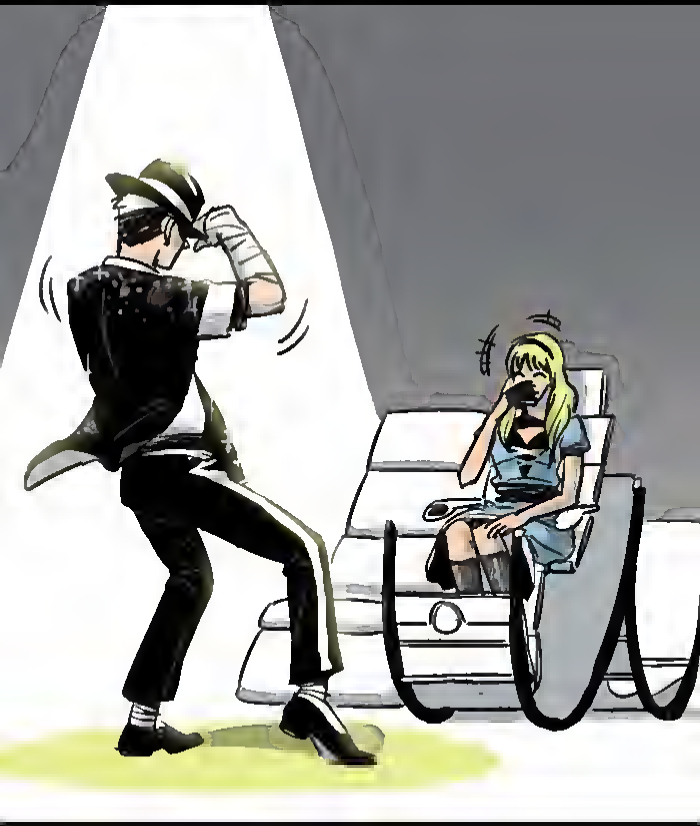
I FELL FOR HER.

I CAME TO THE OFFICE EVERYDAY

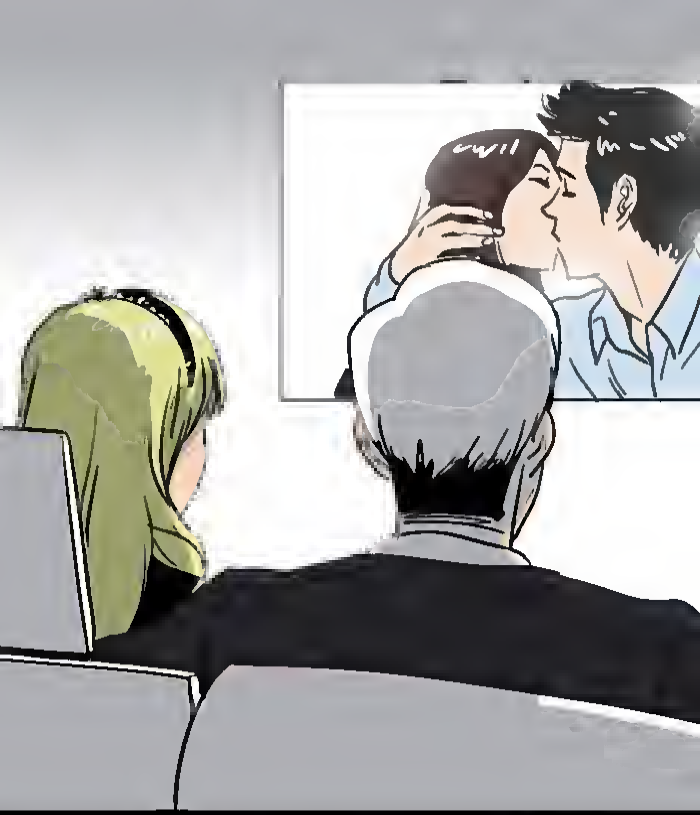


AND I CAME TO SEE ALICE IF
I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY.

WHAT MADE ME GET SO CLOSE TO HER



IN THIS SHORT TIME?



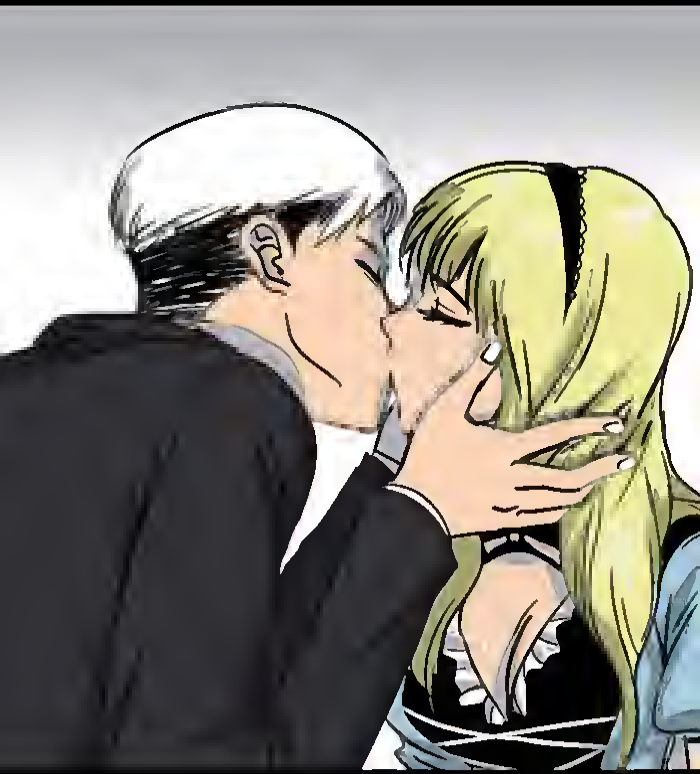
DESTINY? IT MIGHT BE IT.
BUT I THOUGHT OF IT THIS WAY.

IT WAS BECAUSE THERE
WAS NOTHING IN BETWEEN US.
IT WAS JUST PURELY A RELATIONSHIP
OF A PERSON TO PERSON.

A CONVERSATION
BETWEEN TWO MINDS.

ESSENTIAL LOVE.

A PLACE FOR JUST THE TWO OF US.

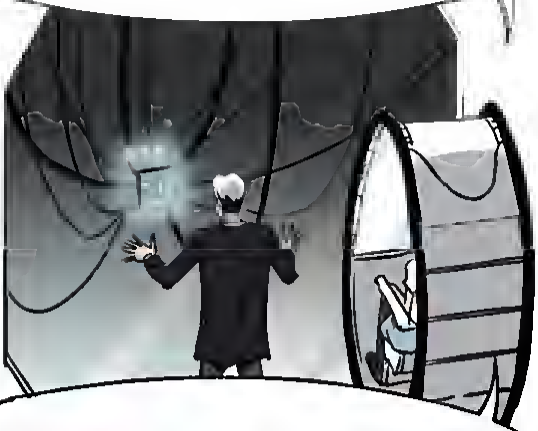


A WORLD WHERE ONLY
ALICE AND JOHAN EXISTED.

WHAT IS THIS?

IT'S THE CUBE.
EVERY INFORMATION
FROM YOUR WORLD
IS STORED IN HERE.
THERE ISN'T AN
OFFICIAL NAME FOR IT,
BUT GRANDPA AND I BOTH
CALL IT THE CUBE.

THIS IS
THE ONLY ONE IN THE WORLD.
NO ONE CAN COME IN HERE
BECAUSE OF THIS.

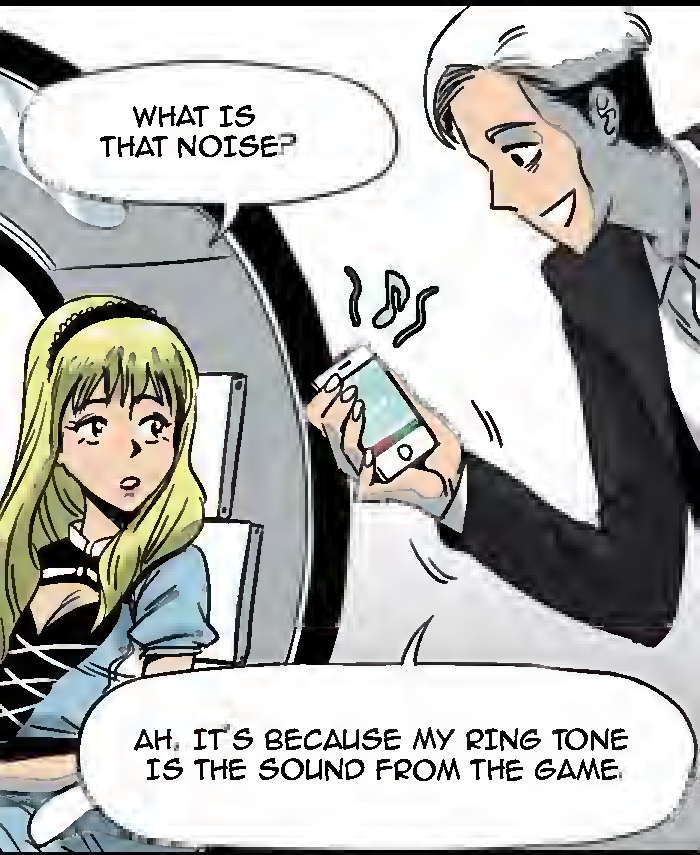


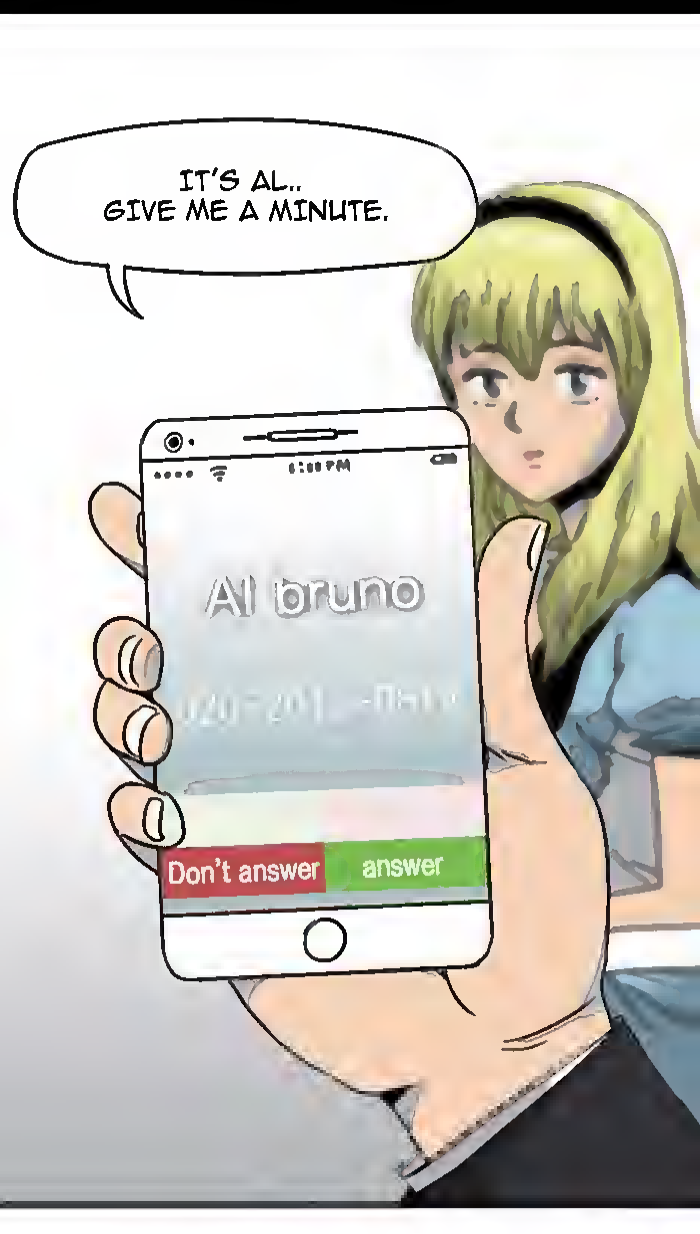
JOHAN, YOU
ARE A SPECIAL CASE.
BUT OF COURSE IF I GET
CAUGHT BY GRANDPA,
IT WILL BE BAD.

WHOA.. IT'S AWESOME.

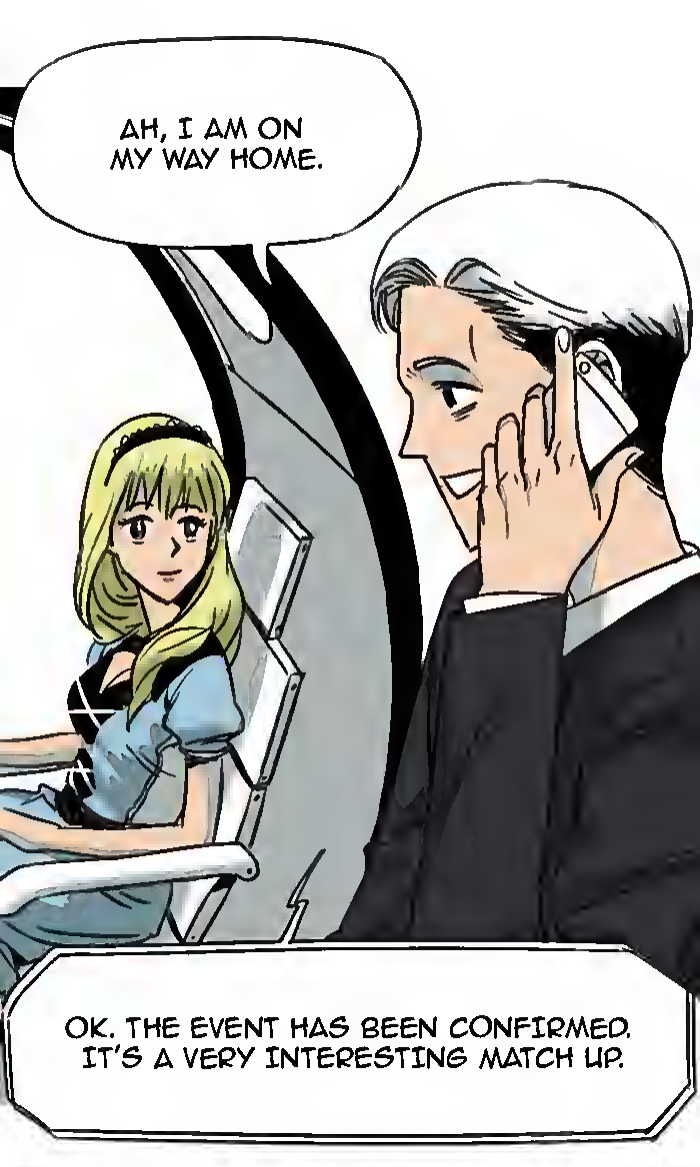
IT FEELS WEIRD...
THAT MY MEMORIES ARE IN HERE AS WELL.
NOT JUST YOUR MEMORY BUT A HUGE AMOUNT OF INFORMATION IS STORED IN HERE.

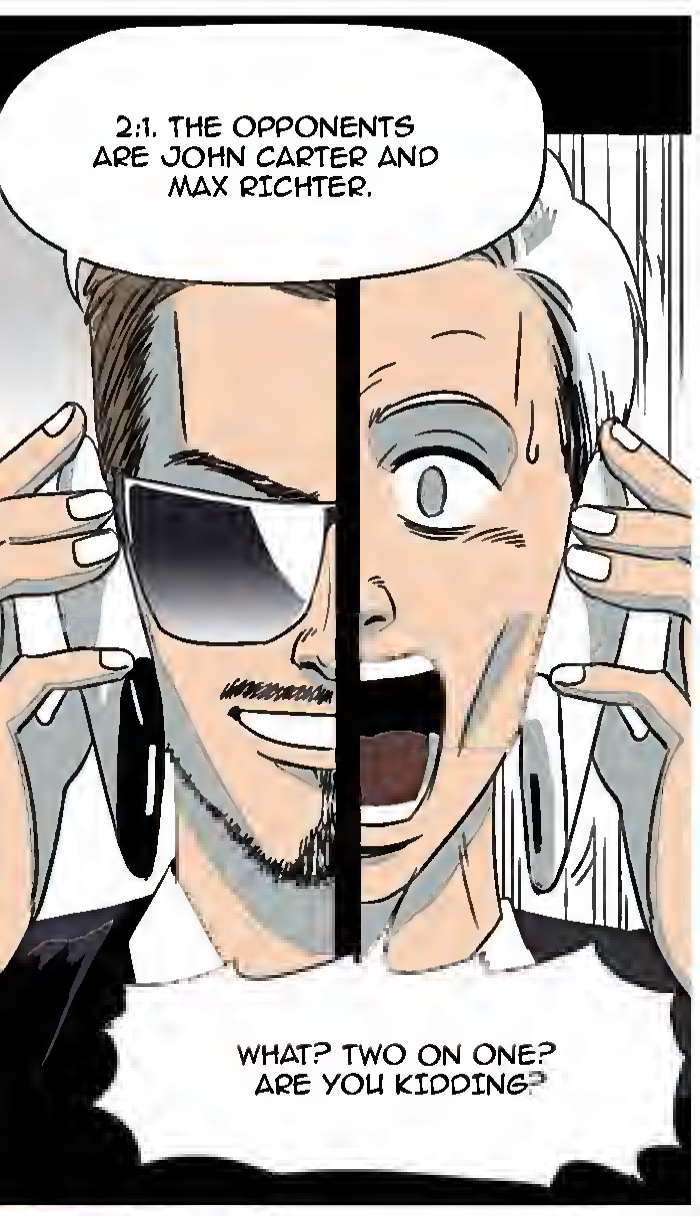
PPPPPPHEW
SURPRISED
PPPPPPHEW


WHAT IS THAT NOISE?
AH, IT'S BECAUSE MY RING TONE IS THE SOUND FROM THE GAME.

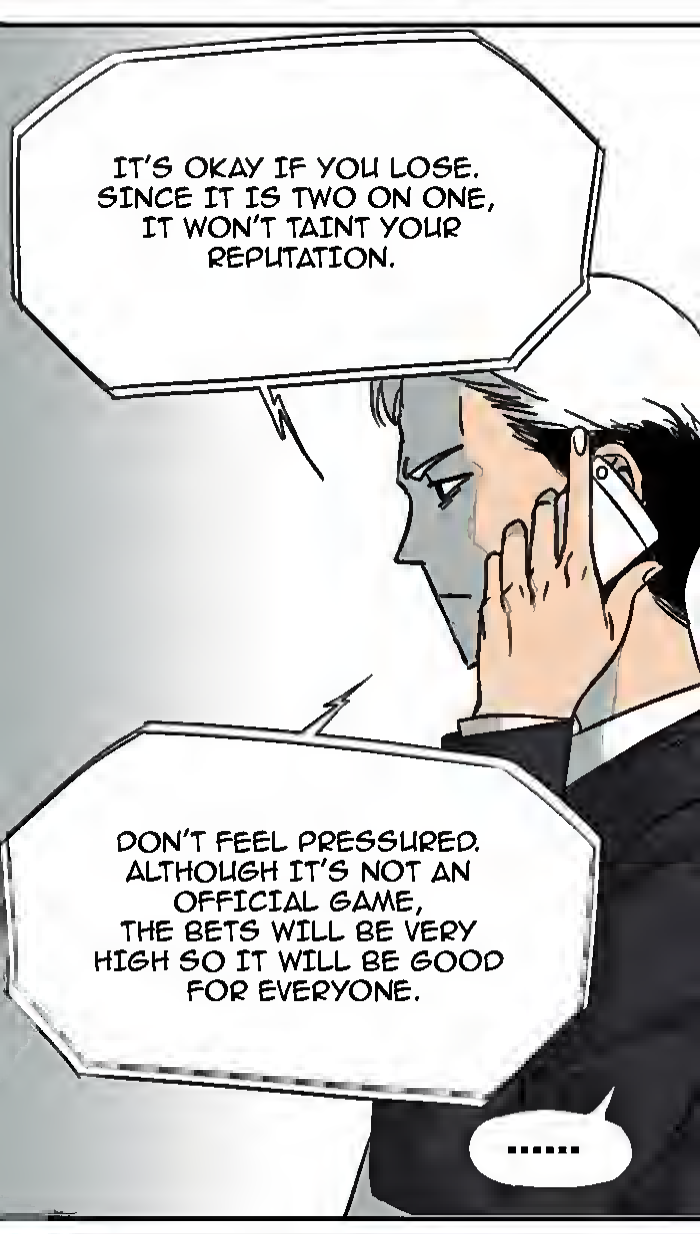

IT'S AL..
GIVE ME A MINUTE.
Al bruno
Don't answer
answer

WHERE ARE YOU?
DIDN'T YOU COME INTO
THE OFFICE?


AH, I AM ON MY WAY HOME.
OK. THE EVENT HAS BEEN CONFIRMED. IT'S A VERY INTERESTING MATCH UP.


2:1. THE OPPONENTS ARE JOHN CARTER AND MAX RICHTER.
WHAT? TWO ON ONE? ARE YOU KIDDING?

I KNOW.
EVEN IF THEY ARE SMALL TIMERS, THEY ARE STILL PROFESSIONALS AND 2:1 IS GOING TO BE CHALLENGING.
HOO
AH. THERE AREN'T SUCH THING AS AMATEURS.


IT'S OKAY IF YOU LOSE. SINCE IT IS TWO ON ONE, IT WON'T TAINT YOUR REPUTATION.
DON'T FEEL PRESSURED. ALTHOUGH IT'S NOT AN OFFICIAL GAME, THE BETS WILL BE VERY HIGH SO IT WILL BE GOOD FOR EVERYONE.
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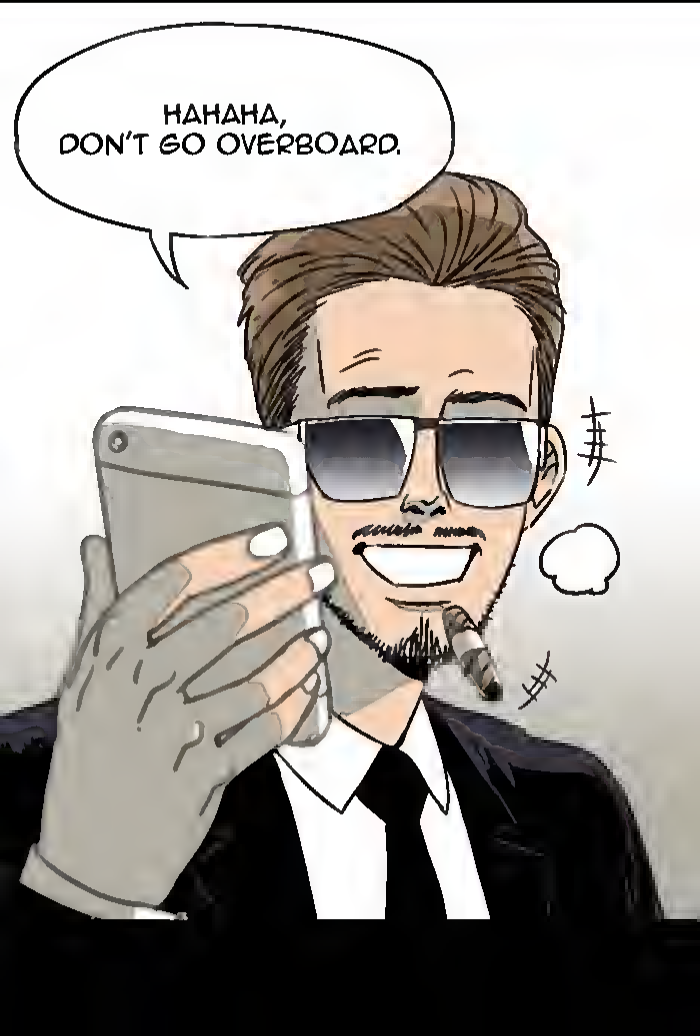
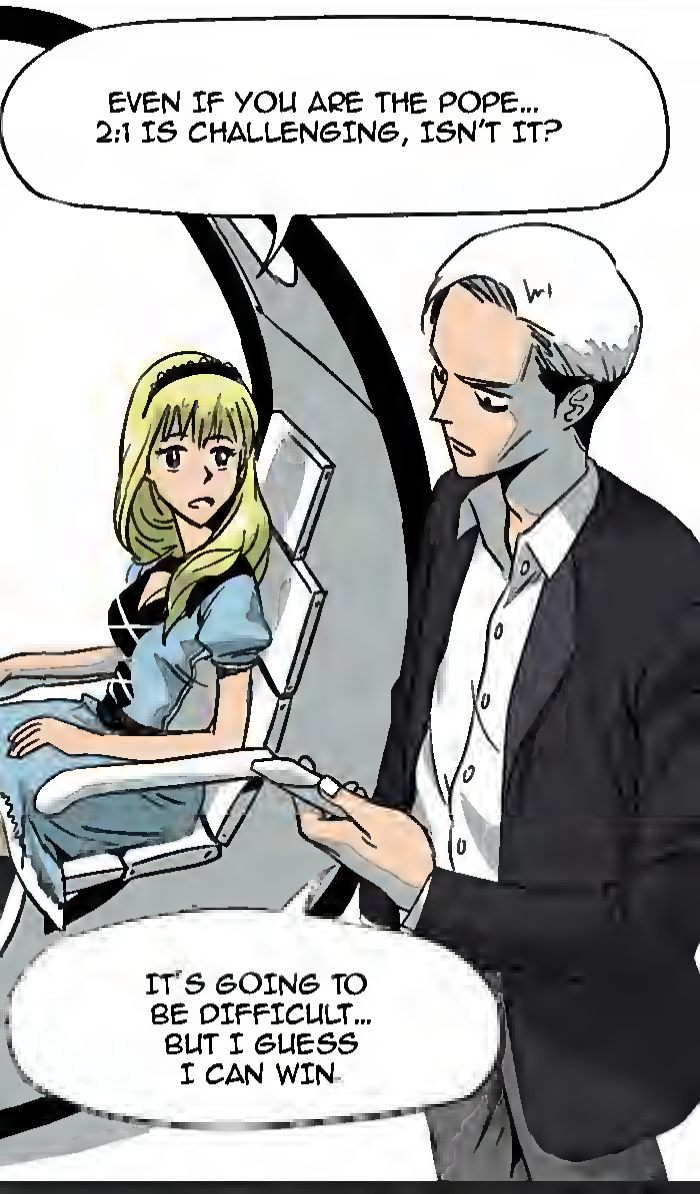
I AM GOING TO WIN.


HAHAHA,
DON'T GO OVERBOARD.

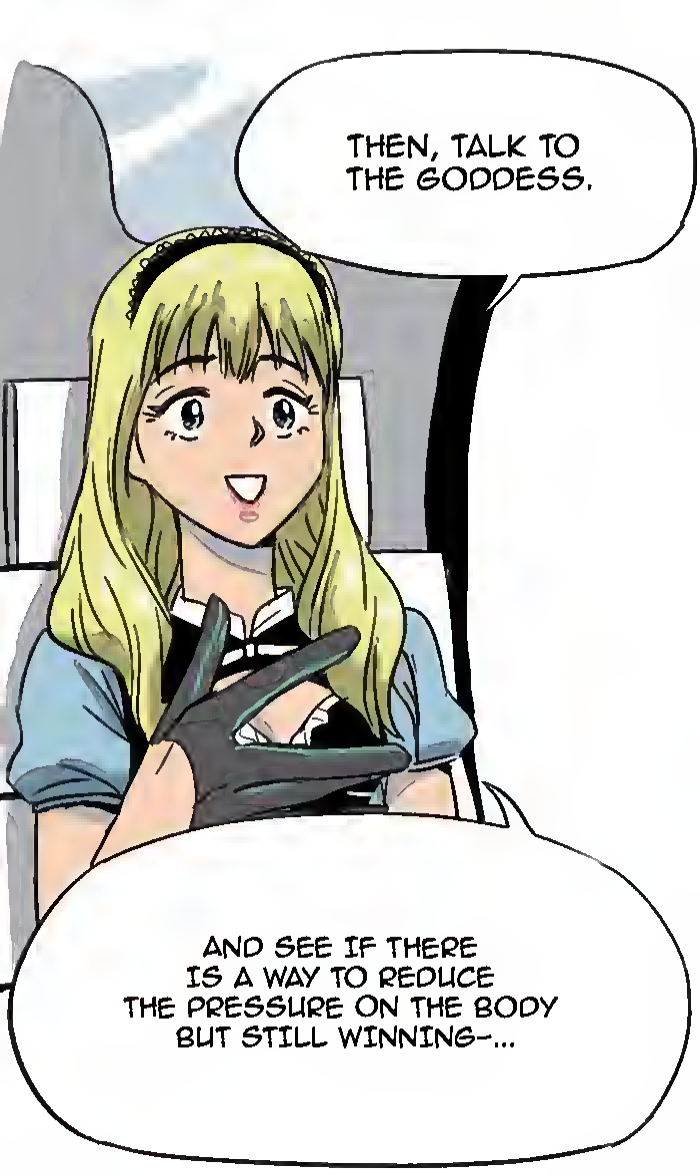

EVEN IF YOU ARE THE POPE...
2:1 IS CHALLENGING, ISN'T IT?
IT'S GOING TO BE DIFFICULT... BUT I GUESS I CAN WIN.

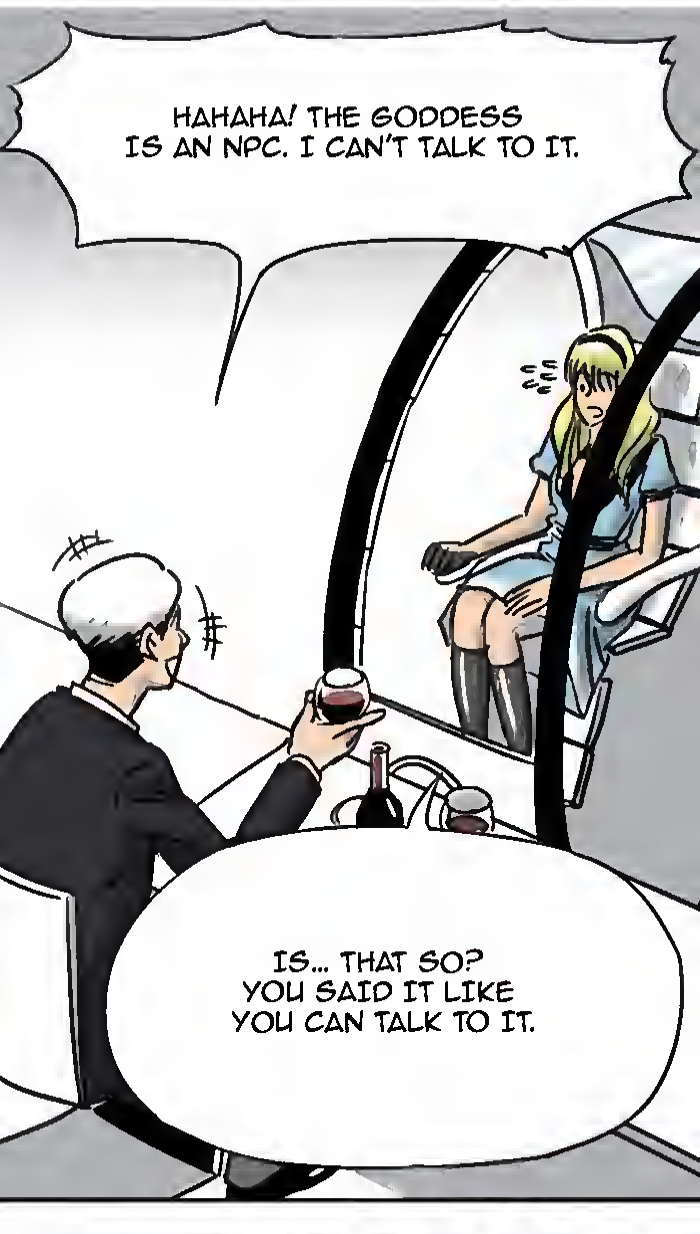
IF I USE
OH MY GODDESS
STRONGER.

OH MY GODDESS...?

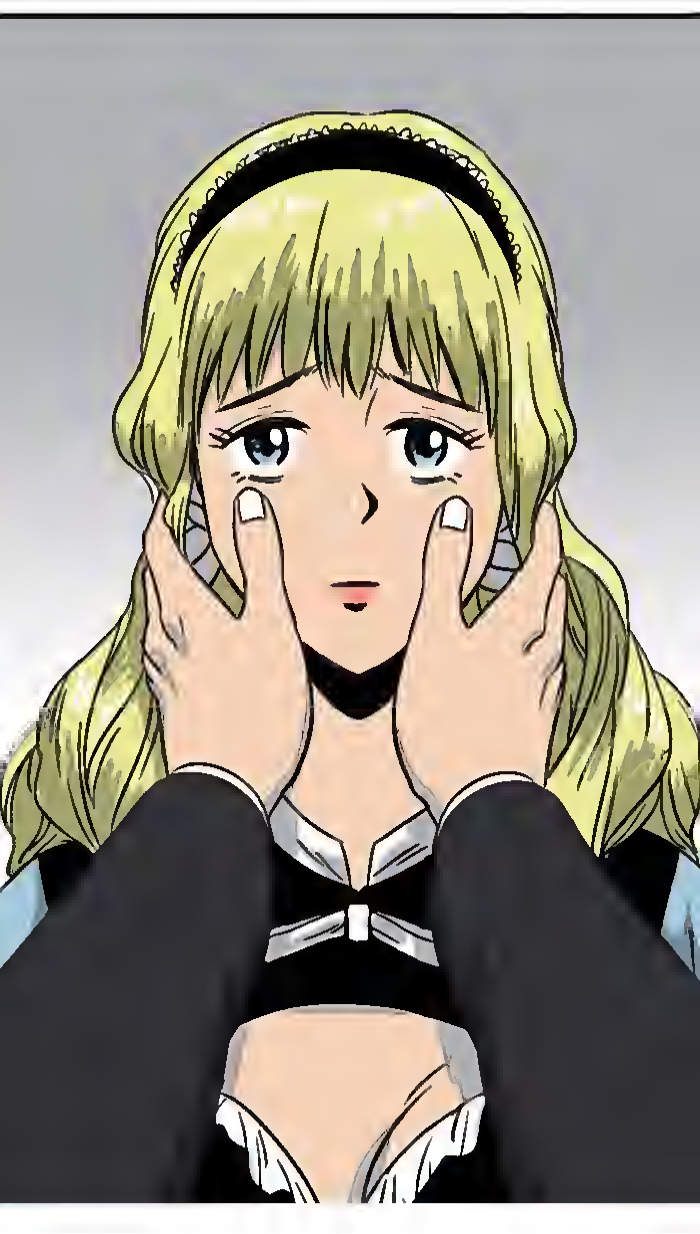
I DIDN'T KNOW THERE WAS A SUCH THING.
ONLY THE PLAYERS KNOW IT. IT DOESN'T SHOW UP ON THE SCREEN FOR THE SPECTATORS.

BUT LIKE YOU SAID, THERE IS A BIG PRESSURE ON THE BODY... IF IT DOESN'T MATTER IF YOU LOSE THIS GAME
NO. I SHOULD BE OKAY. FOR NON RANKERS, THEY DON'T EVEN KNOW THAT OH MY GODDESS EXISTS.
IT COULD BE EASIER THAN FACING SOMEONE WHO IS USING OH MY GODDESS.
BUT...


THEN, TALK TO THE GODDESS.
AND SEE IF THERE IS A WAY TO REDUCE THE PRESSURE ON THE BODY BUT STILL WINNING-...


HAHAHA! THE GODDESS IS AN NPC. I CAN'T TALK TO IT.
IS... THAT SO? YOU SAID IT LIKE YOU CAN TALK TO IT.

DON'T WORRY, ALICE.
I'LL SHOW YOU THAT
I CAN WIN EASILY.



THE GAME

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